GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5725
ANSWERED ON:25.04.2001
CORRUPTION IN DEFENCE DEALS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of corruption cases in defence deals registered by the CBI since 1989;

(b) the present position thereof;

(c) whether any person has ever been punished in these cases;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the time by which these cases are likely to be disposed of?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a) to (e): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5725 FOR 25.4.2001

The CBI has enquired/is enquiring/investigating only the following cases since 1989 and status thereof is indicated hereunder:-

Sl.No.	Details of the case	Status
1.	Procurement of 36 nos. of Hand Held Direction Finder (HHDF) from M/s Taiyo Musen Co. Ltd. Japan;	The alleged irregularities in the procurement were not found substantiated.
2.	Contract with M/s NOSCHEM, South Africa for supply of 155 mm Smoke Ammunition;	The CBI is verifying the complaint.
3.	Import of ammunition from M/s Pitcare, Hongkong;	A preliminary inquiry by the CBI is in progress.
4.	Contract concluded with M/s Bofors, Sweden for procurement of 155 mm FH77B Gun System, ammunition and associated items;	The CBI has filed charge sheet and supplementary charge sheet against delinquent persons. The CBI is continuing investigation.
5.	Procurement of Weapon Locating Radar;	The CBI's report has been sent to CVC for advice.
6.	Irregular procurement of	The CBI is progressing the

	'crucibles' in the Eastern Naval Command	case in the designated court at Vishakapatnam.
7.	Irregularities in procurement of developed items in the Eastern Naval Command;	No report has been submitted by the CBI so far.
8.	Inquiry into the circumstances under which delivery period extension for procurement through Ship Chandelier were given by material organisation, Vishakapatnam from December 1994 onward.	The CBI inquiry is in progress.
9.	Case of local purchase at NSD, Port Blair in the Eastern Naval Command.	The CBI inquiry is in progress.

2. It may be seen from the above that CBI has so far given its report in respect of only one case viz. Weapon Locating Radar which has been referred to the CVC for their advice. The CBI has not given any time frame for submission of their report in the above mentioned cases.